

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives truly appreciate the splendid, civic-minded involvement of Show-Me State residents who accept positions of leadership and responsibility in local communities and neighborhoods in order to improve the quality of life found in their hometowns; and

Whereas, Melvin Strabala of Blue Summit, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as the President of the Inter City Fire Protection District, a vocational calling that he will draw to a close in well-deserved retirement on April 11, 2007; and

Whereas, Melvin Strabala was elected to the Inter City Fire Protection District as its Director in April 2005, but was catapulted into the position of President within a month because of the abrupt resignation of previous leadership; and

Whereas, faced with almost certain District bankruptcy, Melvin Strabala provided visionary leadership that instead restored the fiscal viability of the Inter City Fire Protection District and led to improved voter confidence and the overwhelming passage of a \$400,000 bond issue, which enabled the building of a new fire station, and a sales tax, which provides long-term funding for improvements; and

Whereas, Melvin Strabala is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved husband of Maxine Nigro and the loving brother of David Strabala; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative endeavors in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri citizens as Melvin Strabala at momentous times in their lives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered through the life and work of Melvin Strabala and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Melvin Strabala of Blue Summit, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Paul LeVota
District No. 52

Representative Ray Salva
District No. 51

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. _____, adopted _____, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker